

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2002, having a shortened statutory period set to expire November 1, 2002. Claims 1-43 are pending.

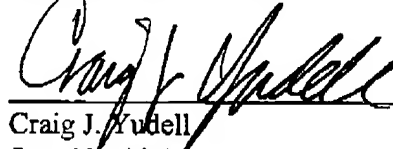
Restriction/Election Requirement**Species Election**

In section 1 of the present Office Action, restriction to one of the three inventions is required as set out by the Examiner. Applicants elect Group II, Claims 15-26, 38, and 41, with traverse for purposes of prosecution of this application.

In section 8 of the present Office Action, an election of a species is requested. Applicants elect Species 1, directed to Claims 15-26, and 41. Applicants traverse on the ground that the elected claims are generic to the species.

No fee is believed to be required; however, in the event any additional fees are required, please charge any fee associated with an extension of time, as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application to IBM Corporation **Deposit Account No. 09-0447**.

Respectfully submitted,



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